Auburn First Baptist Church

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WORSHIP

October 18
Twenty-first Sunday after Pentecost
Exodus 33: 12-23
Psalm 99

October 25
Twenty-second Sunday after Pentecost
Psalm 139: 13-18
Children's Sabbath

Lay Worship Leader for October:
Terry Woodall

REMINDERS

Pledge Sunday

Pledge Sunday is over but it's never too late to Pledge! Estimate of Giving Cards can be found in the pew racks, in the church office or you can pledge online at:

www.AuburnFBC.org/Give27

Business Meeting and Potluck

Thursday, October 22, 5:30 p.m., Fellowship Hall

All Saints' Day

Sunday, November 1, 11:00 a.m., Worship

Children's Sabbath

By: Tripp Martin

When we contemplate the ways in which we might share the good news of the gospel, we might imagine shouting from the rooftops or taking out billboards. If it is good news, it needs to be shared widely and loudly! We might reach for a megaphone or a bullhorn. We might yell at the top of our lungs.

The good news should be amplified, or at least, it seems that way. On Children's Sabbath, though, we remember how the good news of the gospel sounds perfect as it is communicated by the tender voice of a child. A voice shouting, "I love you!," might not sound as loving as the gentle voice of a child. The steadfast love of God comes to us with tenderness and gentleness, like the powerful voice of a child.

It came to us as a child. We remember gathering around the manger in Bethlehem at Christmas. The presence of God is revealed in the tender, gentle presence of an infant, named *Emmanuel.*

We are thankful for the voices of our children, and we celebrate and empower them on Children's Sabbath. The children of the church will lead us in worship! They will sing and pray, read and lead. We will be thinking about them as they prepare for this leadership role.

The Mission Offering on Children's Sabbath will be hygiene items for the Community Market. We are invited to bring these items to worship for the offering. Details about what to bring are found in this newsletter. We are also able to give financially to this offering, which will be given to the Community Market.

We are invited to hear the good news of the gospel anew in the voices of the children of the church. We might hear again the tenderness of God's love. We might experience again the gentleness of the grace of Christ. We might hear the whispers of mercy and hope.

We will offer our support to the children of the church as they lead us in worship!

Our Mission: Believing the Spirit of God is alive in each one of us and in the world, we affirm that the mission of Auburn First Baptist Church is: to glorify God as the Creator, Sustainer, and Redeemer of life; to call all people to God through Christ as Savior and Lord; to enable all people to be more like Jesus.

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YOUTH

Youth Sunday Nights
Sundays, 6:00 p.m., Youth Room

Youth Choir
Sundays, 5:00 p.m., Choir Room

Prayer Breakfast
1st and 3rd Tuesdays, 7:00 a.m., Panera Bread
October 20

Winter Youth Retreat
Pigeon Forge, Tennessee,
January 15 - 18, 2027

Passport Youth
Converse University, Spartanburg,
South Carolina, June 13-18, 2027

COLLEGE

College Bowling
Sunday, October 18, 6:45 p.m.,
Activities Building

We will meet at the Activities Building at 6:45 p.m. and carpool. The cost is $7; register online or at Tuesday Night Bible Study.

Bible Study
Sundays, 10:00 a.m.
College Room (Activities Building)

Tuesday Night Bible Study
7:00 p.m., Activities Building

We need volunteers to cover dinner for the college students at Tuesday Night Bible Study. Please email frontdesk@auburnfbc.org or call the front desk if you can provide a meal on October 20, October 27, November 10, or November 17.

THURSDAYS

Thursday Evening Bible Study
Thursdays, 5:45 p.m., Fellowship Hall
"Fruits of the Spirit"
Led by Tripp Martin

Quarterly Business Meeting & Potluck
Thursday, October 22, 5:30 p.m., Fellowship Hall

Please bring a dish to share (meat, side, or dessert) for this potluck meal. The drinks and paper products will be provided. The Agenda items will be the *Quarterly Financial Report* and a *Choral Scholar's program.*

CHILDREN

Children's Sabbath
Sunday, October 25, Worship

We look forward to the children of the church leading us in worship! ***The mission offering will be hygiene items for the Community Market.***

Items needed the most:
Toothbrushes
Toothpaste
Deodorant
Shampoo
Conditioner
Feminine Products (lotion, small boxes of pads of all sizes)

Passport Kids
Brenau University
Gainseville, Georgia
July 11-14, 2027

Preschool and Children's Choirs
(3* year olds – 5th Grade)
Sundays, 5:00 p.m., Education Building
*We ask that all attendees be potty trained.

Bible Encounter (1st – 5th graders)
Sundays, 6:00 p.m., Education Building

SOCIAL MEDIA

The Ad Hoc Committee for Outreach reminds us to *follow, like and share* the church's social media posts. We can share our story online! *(Sharing is caring!)*

Facebook: Facebook.com/AuburnFirstBaptist
Instagram: Instagram.com/AuburnFirstBaptist

SUNDAY ACTIVITIES

Round Table

Sundays, 5:00 p.m., Fellowship Hall

"Treasures in Earthen Vessels:
Are we Clay in the Potter's hand?"
October 18
Led by Gina Austin

"Remembering the Saints"
November 1
Led by Drew Smith

Connecting Faith and Family

Sundays, 5:00 - 6:30 p.m., Seekers Classroom

We are studying the Gospel of John. Email Leah Duzy (lmduzy@gmail.com) if you have any questions. All are welcome!

Churchwide Picnic

Sunday, October 25
MLK Park (190 Byrd Street)

After Children's Sabbath, we will gather at Martin Luther King Park for our annual churchwide picnic. The church will provide chicken and drinks. Everyone is invited to bring a side or dessert to share. Don't forget a tailgate chair or blanket! In case of rain, join us in the Activities Building.

Everyone is invited to bring a change of clothes for a kickball game, where adults, youth, and children can play!

MISSION TRIP

Mission Trip

Aguadulce, Spain
July 16-25, 2027
Cost: $2,200 per person (Deposit: $200)
Ages 14+ (rising 9th grade and older with a parent) to adults

We will be working with Eddie Aldape, CBF Field Personnel. Our primary job will be working with children. Additional tasks might include painting, cleaning or carpentry. It will be 2-3 people in a room. There will be additional costs for some meals and sightseeing. We are able to take 18 people on the trip. The final deadline to sign up is January 15, 2027.

Email Tripp with questions or to sign up
tmartin@auburnfbc.org

If a class or church member would like to help someone with the cost of the trip, please contact Tripp.

MARK YOUR CALENDARS!

Every Sunday
Sunday School 9:45 a.m.
Morning Worship 11:00 a.m.

Every Thursday
Brown Bag Dinner 5:15 p.m.
Prayer & Bible Study 5:45 p.m.

Thursday - 15th		
Sanctuary Choir	Choir Room	6:45 p.m.
Sunday - 18th		
The Round Table	Fellowship Hall	5:00 p.m.
Connecting Faith & Family	Seekers Room	5:00 p.m.
Preschool & Children's Choir	Education Building	5:00 p.m.
Youth Choir	Choir Room	5:00 p.m.
Bible Encounter	Education Building	6:00 p.m.
Youth Sunday Nights	Youth Room	6:00 p.m.
Tuesday - 20th		
PrimeTimers	Fellowship Hall	11:30 a.m.
Deacons' Meeting	Seekers Room	6:30 p.m.
College Bible Study	Activities Building	7:00 p.m.
Wednesday - 21st		
Conversational English	Activities Building	10:00 a.m.
First Bells	Choir Room	12:30 p.m.
Thursday - 22nd		
Business Meeting & Potluck	Fellowship Hall	5:30 p.m.
Sanctuary Choir	Choir Room	6:45 p.m.
Sunday - 25th		
Churchwide Picnic	MLK Park	12:00 p.m.
No Evening Activities		
Tuesday - 27th		
College Bible Study	Activities Building	7:00 p.m.
Wednesday - 28th		
Conversational English	Activities Building	10:00 a.m.
First Bells	Choir Room	12:30 p.m.
Thursday - 29th		
Sanctuary Choir	Choir Room	6:45 p.m.

PRIMETIMERS

Primetimers will meet on October 20 at 11:30 a.m. Lunch will be served followed by a craft session. The mosaics from First Baptist Church of Huntsville can be used to make crosses and Christmas trees. We will also work to repair and replace our Chrismons to be used in the upcoming Advent season.

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ORGAN RENOVATION GOAL...EXCEEDED!

Through the generous gifts of our congregation and earnings from Trust funds, the Organ Renovation Committee is pleased to announce that our capital campaign for $140,000 to repair and renovate our Memorial Organ has been met and exceeded! We are so thankful and appreciative of our church's generosity. We know your giving is indicative of the value you place on the organ's role in leading worship!

If you have not contributed and would like to participate, we encourage you to do so. All additional funds will be placed in an Organ Trust Fund which will ensure our Memorial Pipe Organ will be kept in excellent condition and will continue to serve as a vital part of worship at Auburn First Baptist for generations to come. It has been said, *"Worship serves as the birthplace of all ministries and missions of the church!"*

Cathy Summers and Dale Peterson
Co-Chairs, Organ Renovation Committee

CHURCHWIDE BABY SHOWER

You are invited to a churchwide baby shower in honor of **Emma and Peyton Vance!**

Sunday, November 1, 2:00 p.m.
Jeannie & Mike Bumgardener's home
(2189 W Farmville Rd., Alabama)

Emma and Peyton are registered @www.babylist.com/EmmaVance

With any question, please contact Kellie Wilson, 334-703-2829

Serving the Month of October

Greeters: Dale Peterson, Carole Zugazaga, Anne Adrian

Sound & Light: David Sutton, Chad Parish, Gary Cantini

Visitors: Ray & Shirley Brown

Serving October 18, 2026

Extended Session: Betty Tatum, Anna Coxwell

Serving October 25, 2026

Extended Session: Children's Sabbath

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